

**I Choose the correct answer .**

1 Which two sports share plays with Gaelic football?	a) Cricket and rugby	b) Hurling and soccer	c) Soccer and rugby
2 Ireland's flag symbolizes a peace treaty between the nation's Roman Catholics and the Protestants. What are the colors of the flag?	a) Green, orange, yellow	b) Orange, white and yellow	c) White, green and orange
3 What percent of Ireland's total population lives within 60 miles of Dublin?	a) 20%	b) 40%	c) 80%
4 What is a ceilidh?	a) A traditional Irish dance	b) A traditional Irish dish	c) A traditional Irish musical gathering
5 What's a shillelagh?	a) A pot of gold	b) A blackthorn stick	c) A fairy's den
6 What did Saint Patrick use to explain Christianity to the Irish people?	a) A harp	b) A pint of Guinness	c) A shamrock
7 Legend has it, that when you kiss the Blarney Stone, you will?	a) have the 'gift of the gab'	b) marry within a year	c) have bad luck
8 Which colour is not found on the flag of the Republic of Ireland?	a) green	b) red	c) white
9 Which of the following is not an Irish whiskey?	a) Jameson	b) Midleton	c) Glenfiddich
10 The Norman invasion of the late 12th century marked the beginning of more than ...of English rule.	a) 600	b) 500	c) 700
11 Recorded Irish history begins with the introduction of Christianity and Latin literacy, beginning in the	a) 5 <sup>th</sup> century	b) 6 <sup>th</sup> century	c) 7 <sup>th</sup> century
12 Gallarus Oratory is	a) a castle	b) a dish	c) a church
13 Ireland during the period ..... saw the first full conquest of the island by England and its colonisation	a) 1536–1691	b) 1588-1701	c) 1500-1706
14 Ireland was part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain from	a) 1801 to 1918	b) 1801 to 1922	c) 1801 to 1939
15 What caused the destruction of a large portion of the potato crop in 1845-6	a) Several unusually early frosts	b) Lack of rainfall	c) A potato blight

**II Change the given word into appropriate forms.**

<p>16. You shouldn't hang around with those boys or you might get yourself into _____ that you can't handle.</p> <p>17. The first _____ in the search for oil is an aerial survey.</p> <p>18. _____ television shows, such as "Survivor," have become very popular recently.</p> <p>19. My daughter wore a white sheet over her head as a _____ costume for Halloween.</p> <p>20. Blacks entered South Africa from the _____ of Africa over a period of several centuries.</p> <p>21. The human kidney consists of over 1 million little _____.</p> <p>22. Three workers were killed today in an _____ blast at a downtown construction site.</p> <p>23. The student was using delaying _____ to avoid having to give his class presentation.</p> <p>24. Detectives were able to match some _____ on the suspect's shoes to the carpet in the room where the victim was murdered.</p> <p>25. My daughter is reading a wonderful book about children with _____ powers.</p>	<p><b>Noisily</b></p> <p><b>Fibres</b></p> <p><b>Mysteriously</b></p> <p><b>Tactics</b></p> <p><b>Interior</b></p> <p><b>Accidental</b></p> <p><b>Pace</b></p> <p><b>Stages</b></p> <p><b>Tubes</b></p> <p><b>Effortless</b></p> <p><b>Ghost</b></p> <p><b>Sticks</b></p> <p><b>Situations</b></p> <p><b>Magical</b></p> <p><b>reality</b></p>
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**III. Choose the best answer.**

The famine started in 1845. During that year, the potato blight took one third of the crop in Ireland. It would soon progress into a disaster. In 1846, the entire potato crop of the country was lost, while starvation and disease were rampant among the lowest classes. The English government helped a little by sending over scientists to study the problem, but at the same time they kept taking the grain and meat for themselves.

Many people could not afford to pay their rent or rack tax due to the disease and were forcibly evicted, while many others simply starved on their own land. The government finally offered food to the starving millions at reduced prices; but to people that had no money at all with which to buy it. People were forced to immigrate, but at a price which guaranteed the worst possible conditions. These ships were crammed beyond normal limits with already starving and diseased people; and many more died during the voyages –some even leaving children without parents. Some Irish were even arrested and transported to the colonies under the country's rule for not having a home, while many more were arrested for not having anyone to support them. When they came to America, they came with this "label" on their shoulders. In 1848, the situation remained very bad, even though the disease had ended. The potato crop for various reasons had not been planted. Either people were not allowed to plant, or they simply were not there to do it. By 1849 and 1850, the famine was largely at an end. But this was not due to relief efforts, it was simply because one third of the population of Ireland had died or been shipped away to foreign lands.

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  - a) The year 1845 was the worst
  - b) The year 1846 was slightly worse than 1845
  - c) Both years were dramatic
27. The English government
  - a) took what it sent to Ireland
  - b) didn't send meat
  - c) sent scientists to examine meat from Ireland
28. During famine Irish people
  - a) starved on their land because prices were high
  - b) were evicted from houses due to unpaid bills
  - c) were evicted from houses due to danger of the disease
29. The government finally
  - a) helped Irish people effectively
  - b) reduced prices of food in Ireland
  - c) reduced prices of offered food
30. Some Irish people left Ireland
  - a) willingly
  - b) unwillingly
  - c) because they had to
31. The famine was over in 1850 due to
  - a) better farming conditions
  - b) disappearance of the disease
  - c) reduced Irish population

**IV Write the words in suitable places.**

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In the 1500s, King Henry VIII was **\_ 32 \_** ruler of Great Britain. During this time, there were two different religions in this area of the world. The first was Catholicism, and the second was Protestantism. **\_ 33 \_** religions believed in God, but they had different **\_ 34 \_**, and at this time, if you were different than other people, they didn't treat you fairly. Around this time, Protestants began to move and **\_ 35 \_** in Ireland where many Catholics lived. **\_ 36 \_**, the Protestants gained control and **\_ 37 \_** terrible laws that made it hard for the Irish Catholic people to live. Even **\_ 38 \_** the English eventually gave Irish people **\_ 39 \_** say in their government, the Irish were still angry. They were upset about paying taxes to the Protestant Church and paying high **\_ 40 \_** to Protestant landlords. Next, a devastating potato **\_ 41 \_** and **\_ 42 \_** struck Ireland in the 1840's. Irish Catholic peasants were hit hardest and **\_ 43 \_** immediately. At this time, the potato had become one of the main **\_ 44 \_** of Ireland. It was an easy crop to **\_ 45 \_**, and gave a bountiful harvest, even greater than that of wheat.

**V Use reported speech**

- 46 "Don't do it!" He asked.....  
47 "Could you explain number four, please" he asked.....  
48 "Have you ever seen The Lord of the Rings?" He asked .....  
49 "How was your holiday?" He asked .....  
50 "How was your holiday?" He asked .....

**VI Use passive voice**

- 51 The baby ... (look ) after by his grandmother that afternoon.  
52 This subject\_\_\_(write)\_\_\_\_\_about hundreds of time.  
53 Our new computer\_\_(pay)\_\_\_\_\_by the end of the month.  
54 Regular exercise\_\_\_\_\_(believe,be)\_\_\_\_\_good for you  
55 Picasso (paint) Guernica at that time in 1933

**VII Use suitable articles (a, an ,the ,-)**

56 In addition, \_\_\_\_\_ Romanian government actively increased its contacts with the West  
57 Membership grew rapidly during \_\_\_\_\_ late 1960s.

58 After \_\_\_\_\_ injury-interrupted 1990-1991 season, however, Messier was traded to New  
York.

59 Tie it onto \_\_\_\_\_ neck and fingerboard are seven to ten gut frets.

60 \_\_\_\_ maths is difficult for \_\_\_\_ students

**VIII**

**Write an email to your friend .Your friend has just returned from a trip in Ireland.**

**Your friend is disappointed with the trip.The food was untasty and the tour guide  
was so fast that he missed many historical buildings . What is more, he almost lost his  
luggage at the airport due to careless airport staff .Write what you think about it and give  
your friend some advice.**